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HERE COMES...

DAREDEVIL™



MARVEL
COMICS
GROUP

WHICH ONE OF US
WILL BE THE ONE WHO
DESTROYS YOU, DAREDEVIL?

WILL IT BE...

MR. HYDE?

... OR THE
COBRA?

NEITHER, FOOLS!
IT'LL BE...THE
JESTER!



TRAPPED ==
BY THE **TRIO OF DOOM!**

DAREDEVIL, THE MAN WITHOUT FEAR!™

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**THE WORLD-FAMOUS
GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM!**

DESIGNED BY THE LATE, GREAT
FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT... BOTH
PRAISED AND CONDEMNED BY
COUNTLESS CRITICS FOR ITS
MODERNISTIC DESIGN... AND
TONIGHT, ONLY MOMENTS
AWAY FROM RECEIVING TWO
OF THE MOST **UNLIKELY**
VISITORS OF ALL...!

I **WARN**
YOU, COBRA...
IF YOU FAIL
ME **THIS**
TIME...!

I **NEVER**
FAILED YOU, HYDE
...NOT AGAINST
THOR, AND NOT
AGAINST **DARE-**
DEVIL!

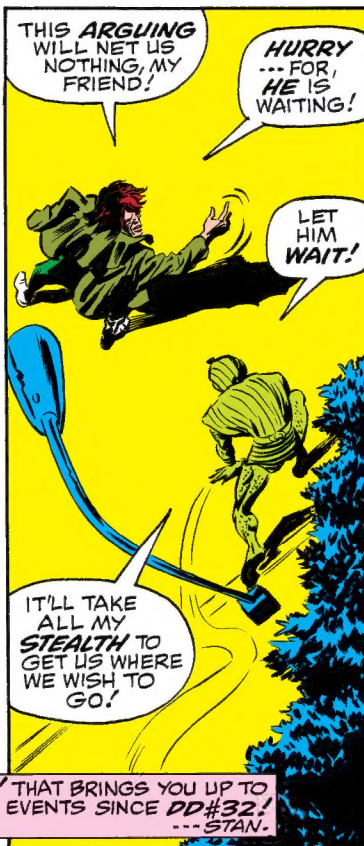
AND, STOP TREATING
ME LIKE YOUR **SERVANT!**
WE'RE **PARTNERS**,
REMEMBER?

GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM

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AND, SINCE THAT SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN THE **ONLY** GUARD ON DUTY...

WE CAN NOW PROCEED TO DO WHAT WE **CAME** TO DO!

BUT, WHY ARE **WE TWO** TAKING ALL THE RISKS, HYDE...WHEN **HE** WILL SHARE IN THE **REWARDS**?

THE **COBRA** DOESN'T LIKE BEING MADE A **FOOL** OF!

NATURE MADE A FOOL OF YOU WHEN YOU WERE **BORN**, YOU COILED CLOWN!

AS FOR OUR **SILENT PARTNER**, HE IS DOUBTLESS COMMITTING **OTHER** CRIMES, ELSEWHERE IN THE CITY!

NOW **HURRY**... BEFORE SOME COSTUMED CLOD LIKE **DAREDEVIL** BLUNDERS IN!



...**MORE SPEED!** GOT TO MOVE **FASTER**...

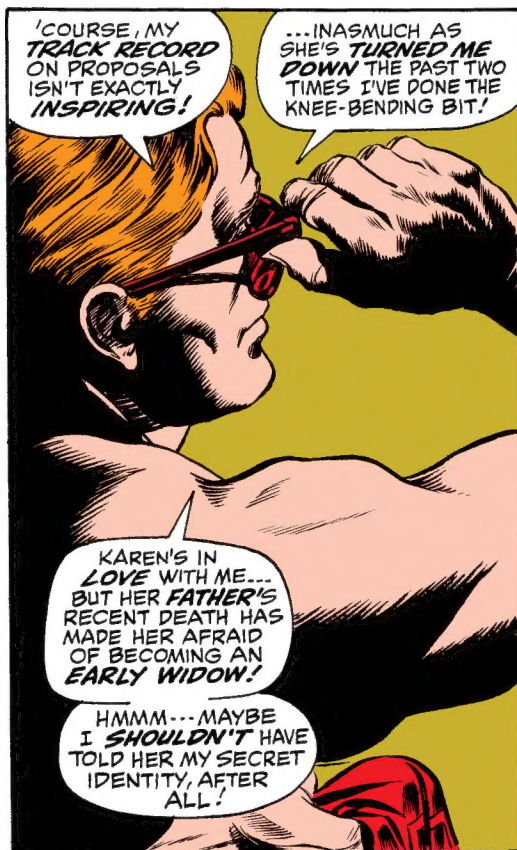
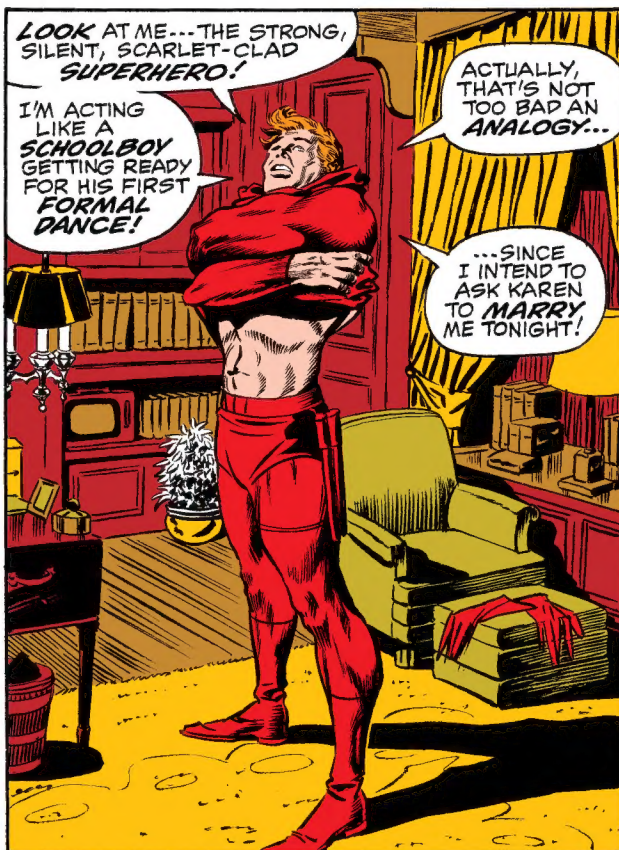
OR I'LL BE **TOO LATE!!**

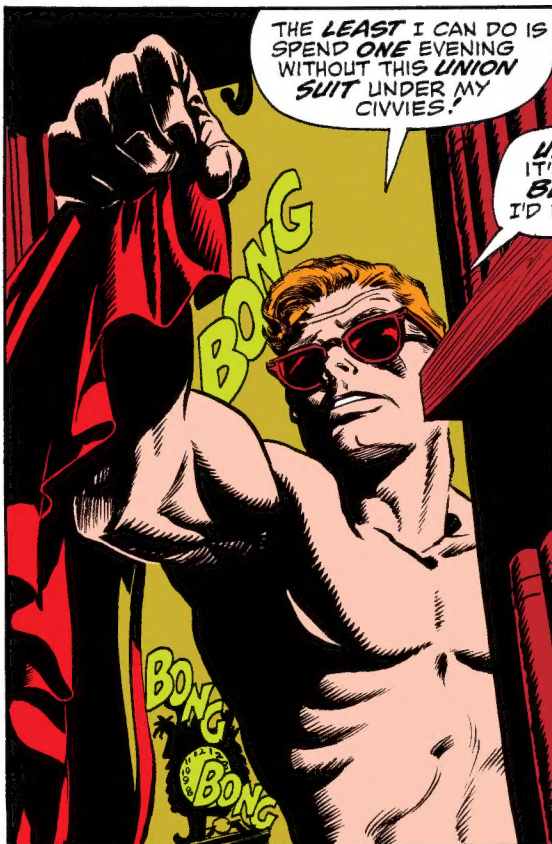


AND, I MAY NEVER **FORGIVE** MYSELF...



...IF I MISS MY **LATE DATE** WITH **KAREN**!





THE **LEAST** I CAN DO IS SPEND **ONE** EVENING WITHOUT THIS **UNION SUIT** UNDER MY CIVVIES!

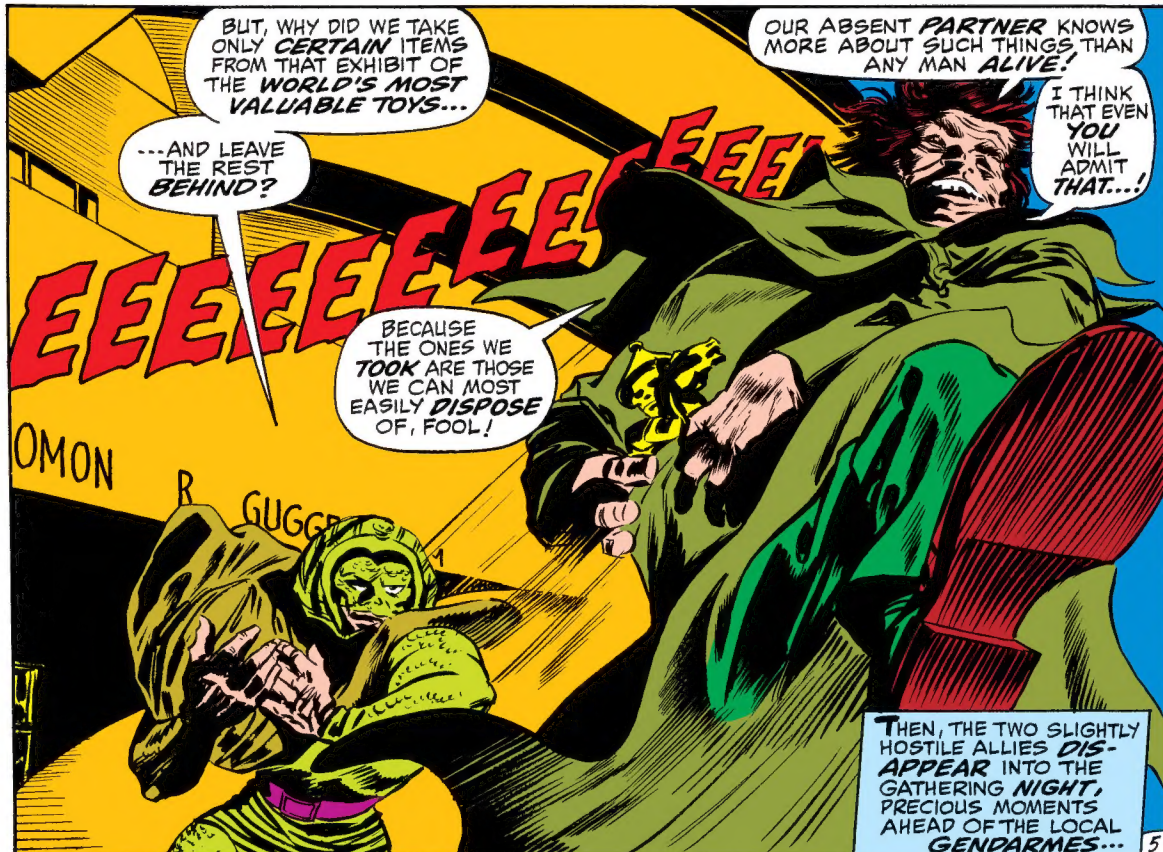
UH OH! IT'S **TEN BELLS!** I'D BETTER---



---MOVE **QUICKLY**, MY DEAR COBRA!

OTHERWISE, WE SHALL HAVE **COMPANY...** OF A LESS-**THAN-AGREE-ABLE** SORT!

WE SHALL DO IT **YOUR** WAY THIS TIME, HYDE...



BUT, WHY DID WE TAKE ONLY **CERTAIN** ITEMS FROM THAT EXHIBIT OF THE **WORLD'S MOST VALUABLE TOYS...**

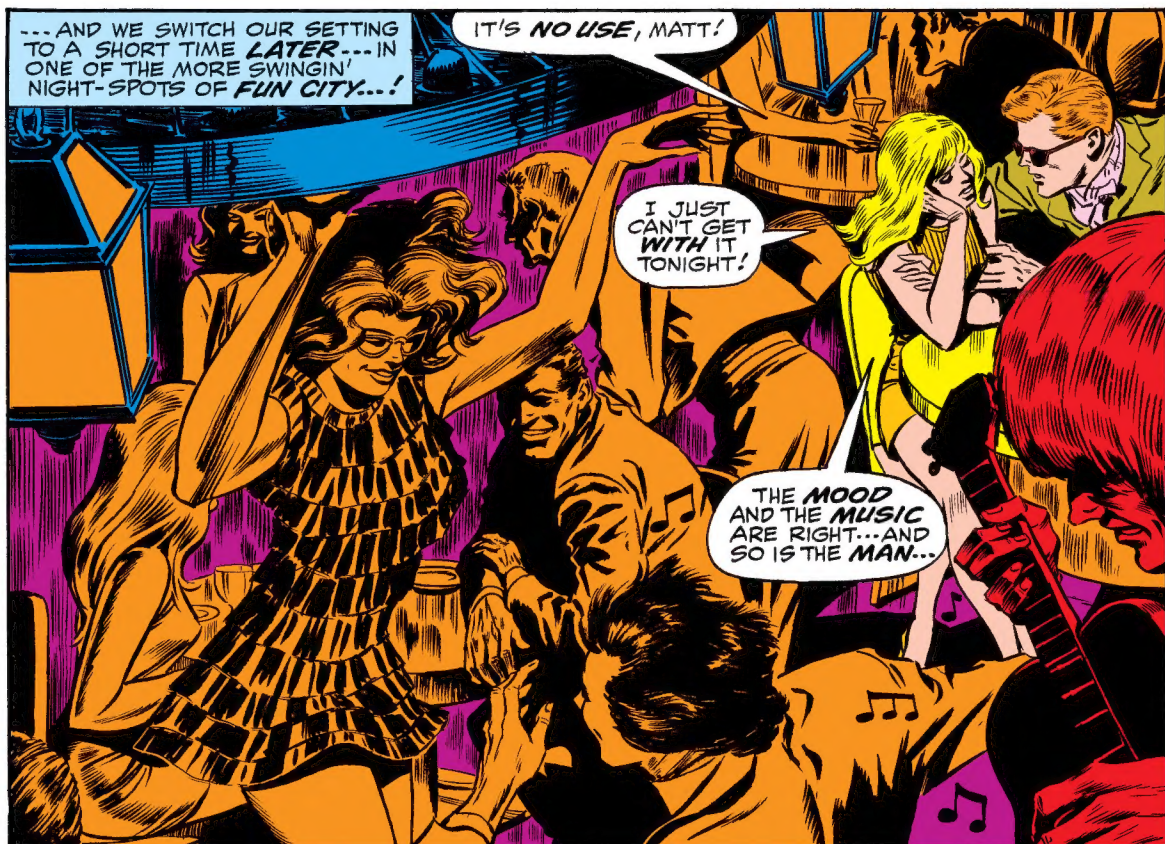
---AND LEAVE THE REST **BEHIND?**

BECAUSE THE **ONES** WE **TOOK** ARE THOSE WE CAN MOST EASILY **DISPOSE** OF, FOOL!

OUR ABSENT **PARTNER** KNOWS MORE ABOUT SUCH THINGS THAN ANY MAN **ALIVE!**

I THINK THAT EVEN **YOU** WILL ADMIT THAT...

THEN, THE TWO SLIGHTLY HOSTILE ALLIES **DIS-APPEAR** INTO THE GATHERING **NIGHT**, PRECIOUS MOMENTS AHEAD OF THE LOCAL **GENDARMES...**

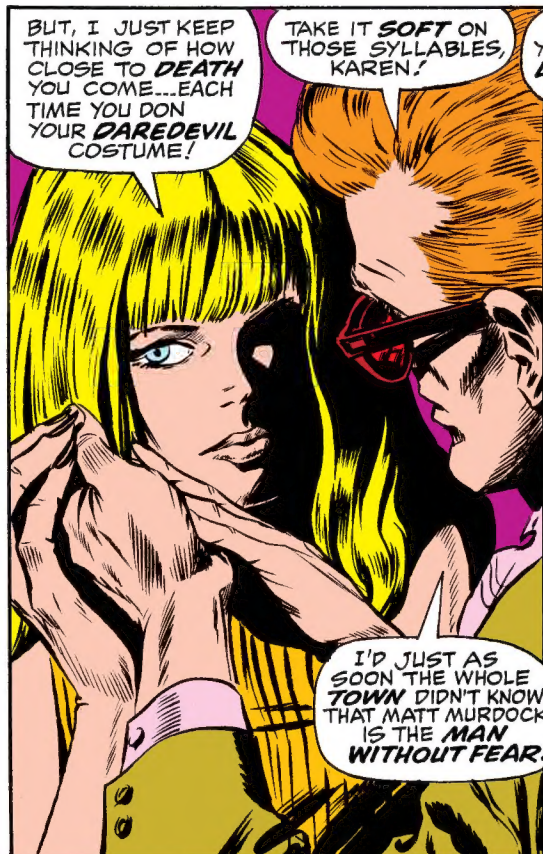


---AND WE SWITCH OUR SETTING TO A SHORT TIME **LATER**...IN ONE OF THE MORE SWINGIN' NIGHT-SPOTS OF **FUN CITY**...!

IT'S **NO USE**, MATT!

I JUST CAN'T GET **WITH IT** TONIGHT!

THE **MOOD** AND THE **MUSIC** ARE RIGHT...AND SO IS THE **MAN**...



TAKE IT **SOFT** ON THOSE SYLLABLES, KAREN!

DID I HEAR YOU MENTION **DAREDEVIL**, LADY?

BOY, THE **FUZZ** SURE COULD'A LIKED THAT JOKER, AN HOUR AGO!

SEEMS SOMEBODY ROBBED THE **GUGGENHEIM**!

A WITNESS CLAIMED IT WAS **MR. HYDE** AND THE **COBRA**!

I'D JUST AS SOON THE WHOLE **TOWN** DIDN'T KNOW THAT MATT MURDOCK IS THE **MAN WITHOUT FEAR**!

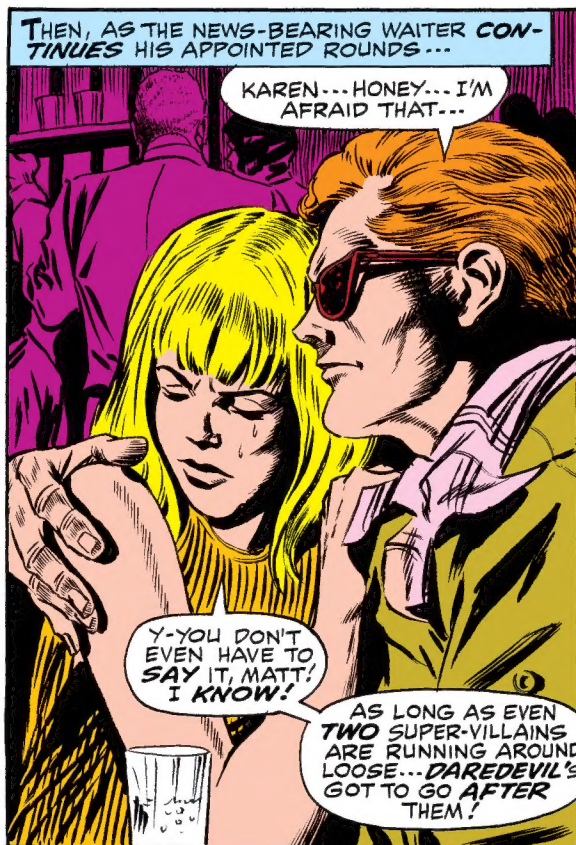


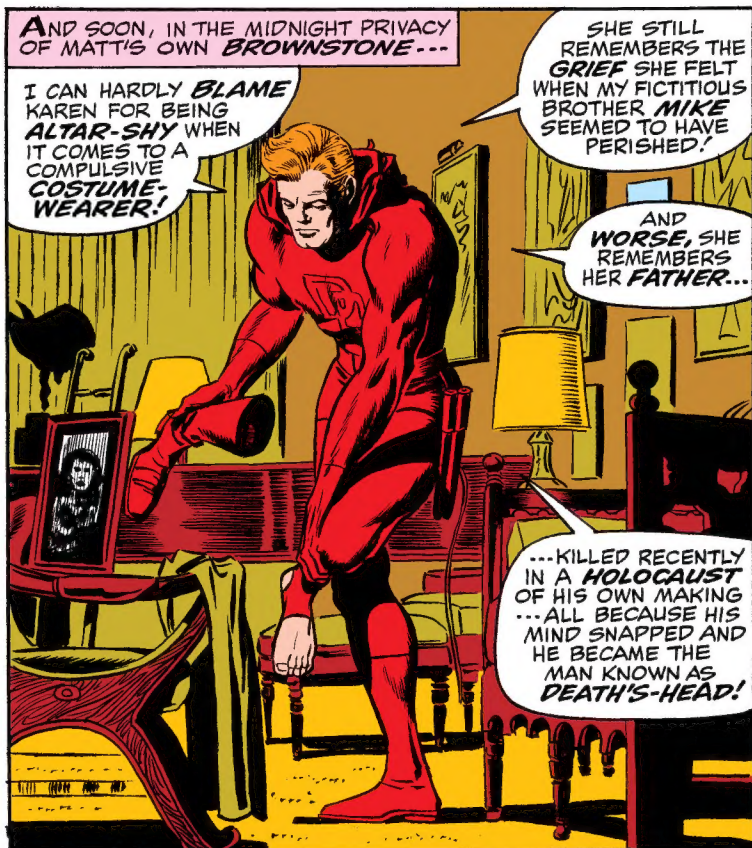
UH... YOU DON'T SAY!

WHAT HAPPENED?



OH?





AND SOON, IN THE MIDNIGHT PRIVACY OF MATT'S OWN **BROWNSTONE**---

I CAN HARDLY **BLAME** KAREN FOR BEING **ALTAR-SHY** WHEN IT COMES TO A **COMPULSIVE COSTUME-WEARER!**

SHE STILL REMEMBERS THE **GRIEF** SHE FELT WHEN MY FICTITIOUS BROTHER **MIKE** SEEMED TO HAVE PERISHED?

AND **WORSE**, SHE REMEMBERS HER **FATHER**...

...KILLED RECENTLY IN A **HOLOCAUST** OF HIS OWN MAKING ...ALL BECAUSE HIS MIND SNAPPED AND HE BECAME THE MAN KNOWN AS **DEATH'S-HEAD!**



NO, THE LADY'S NOT BEING **PARANOID** WHEN SHE ASKS THAT I **GIVE UP** BEING **DAREDEVIL!**

MAYBE **I'M** THE ONE WHO'S **NUTTY** ...FOR **NOT** GIVING IT ALL UP FOR HER!



BUT, THERE'S SOMETHING **ABOUT** BEING A **FREE-WHEELING** SUPERHERO ...

SOMETHING THAT GETS IN YOUR **BLOOD**...!



AND, SPEAKING ABOUT **BLOOD** AND RELATED ITEMS---

MR. HYDE AND THE **COBRA** ARE PROBABLY AFTER **MINE**, SINCE I'M THE **PLAYMATE** WHO **FOULED UP** THEIR LAST CAPER!

SO, MAYBE I'D BETTER DO UNTO **OTHERS**... BEFORE THEY DO UNTO **ME!**



HMMM--- LOOKS LIKE THERE'S
ALREADY A **CAST** OF
THOUSANDS HERE,
WITHOUT OL' **DD**
BUTTING IN!

IT WAS
HYDE AND
THE **COBRA**
ALL RIGHT,
SARGE!

THE GUARD'S
DESCRIPTION
TALLIES
PERFECTLY!

BUT, THERE'S
ONE THING
THAT **DOESN'T**
FIT!



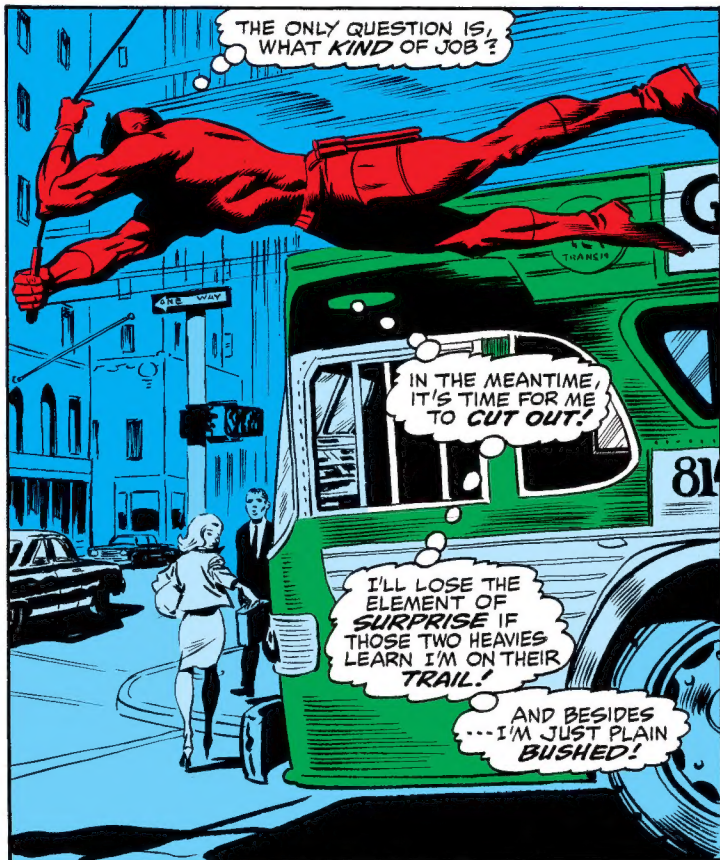
NAMELY, WHY'D THEY
ONLY TAKE A **HANDFUL**
OF THE MOST VALUABLE
TOYS?

LESS THAN
A **HANDFUL**,
MCGRAW---

...AS YOU'D KNOW,
IF YOU EVER SAW A
SHOT OF **MR. HYDE'S**
HANDS!

I'D SAY THEY
JUST INTENDED
THIS AS A
PRELUDE TO A
BIGGER JOB!

AND I'D
SAY THAT
YOU'RE
DEAD
RIGHT,
OFFICER!



THE ONLY QUESTION IS,
WHAT **KIND** OF JOB?

IN THE MEANTIME,
IT'S TIME FOR ME
TO **CUT OUT!**

I'LL LOSE THE
ELEMENT OF
SURPRISE IF
THOSE TWO HEAVIES
LEARN I'M ON THEIR
TRAIL!

AND BESIDES
--- I'M JUST PLAIN
BUSHED!



THE NEXT MORNING ... *

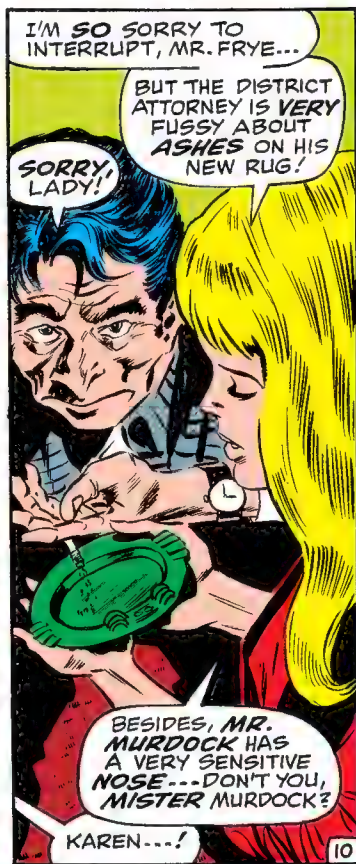
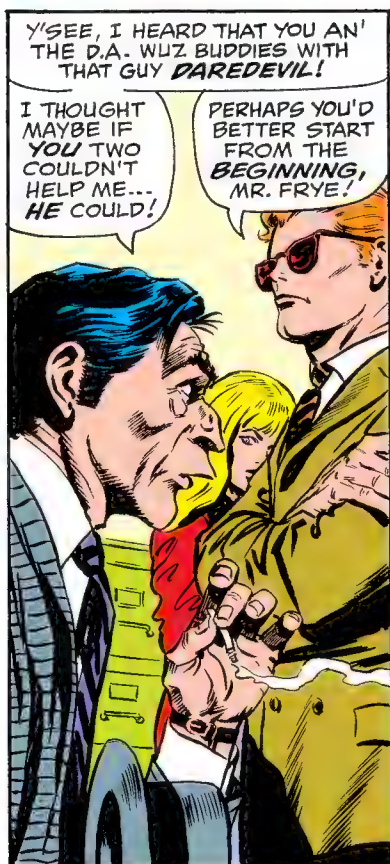
STILL NO MORE WORD
ON MY TWO OLD
SPARRING PART-
NERS! I WONDER
IF...

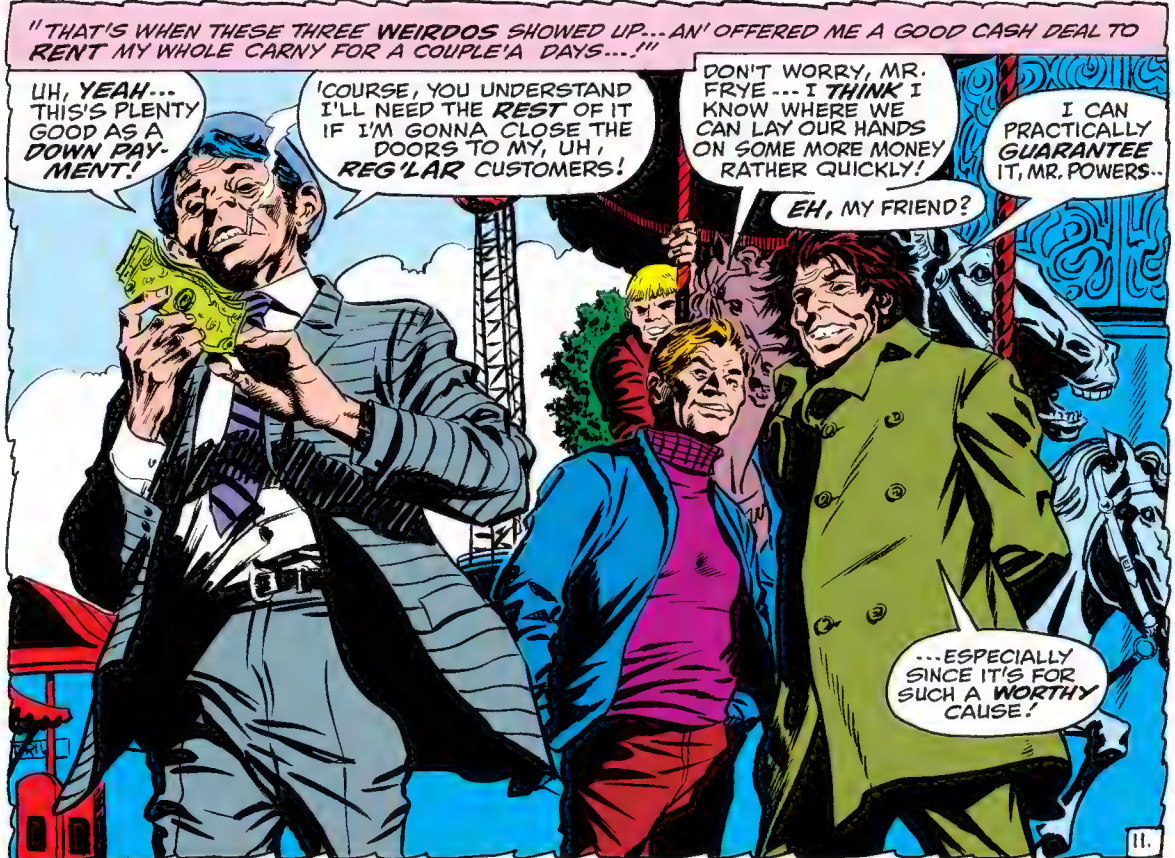
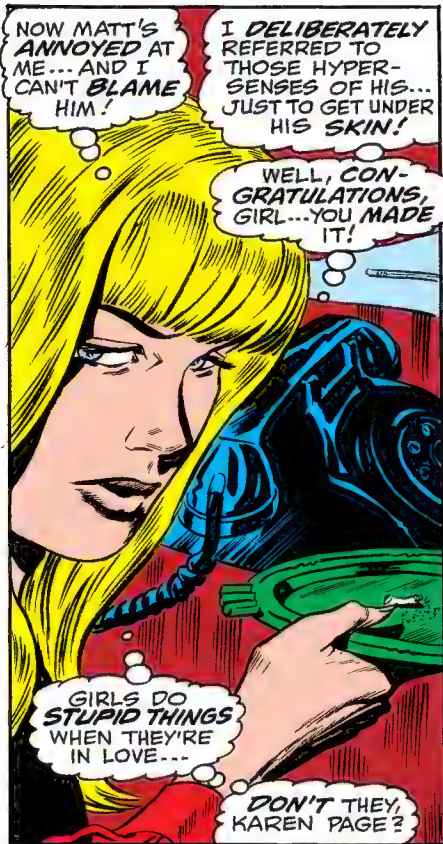
UH OH!
SOUNDS LIKE
OUR FIGHTIN'
D.A. IS A BIT
MIFFED
ABOUT SOME-
THING!

I DIDN'T
MEAN TO
EAVES-
DROP ON
HIS **INNER**
OFFICE...

BUT SOME-
TIMES IT'S
HARD TO TURN
OFF THESE
HYPER-
SENSES
OF MINE!

*HOW'S THAT FOR AN
EYE-CATCHING TRANSI-
TIONAL CAPTION?...ROY.





"SURE, THE DOUGH WAS GOOD... BUT SOMETHIN' ABOUT THEM THREE RUBBED ME THE WRONG WAY, SO EARLY THIS MORNIN'..."

I KEEP THINKIN' ABOUT THAT ROBBERY I HEARD ABOUT ON THE RADIO!

THAT BIG FELLA SURE MATCHED THE DESCRIPTION OF MR. HYDE!

MAYBE I'LL JUST GO SEE WHY THOSE GUYS WANT ME TO STEER CLEAR OF MY OWN CARNY TODAY....!

"BUT, THE SECOND I STEPPED INTO THE OPEN MIDWAY, I KNEW I SHOULDA MINDED MY OWN BUSINESS....!"

IT APPEARS OUR BENEFACCTOR HAS AN INQUISITIVE SIDE, FRIENDS!

STILL, THERE ARE MORE WAYS THAN ONE TO SKIN A CURIOUS CAT...!

I WUZ RIGHT! IT'S MR. HYDE... AND THE COBRA!

AND YOU... YOU'RE THE ONE THEY CALL... THE JESTER!!*

*OBVIOUSLY OUT ON PAROLE SINCE HIS CAPTURE IN ISH #46! ---STAN.

THEN WHY AREN'T YOU LAUGHING, MY GOOD MAN? GO ON... LAUGH!

DO NOT EVEN WASTE YOUR TIME ON THE LIKES OF HIM, JESTER!

HE IS TOO TERRIFIED TO TELL ANYONE WHAT HE HAS SEEN... AREN'T YOU, MR. FRYE?

"SO THEY LET ME GO... WARNIN' ME WHAT THEY'D DO IF I TOLD ANYBODY WHERE THEY WERE...!"

BUT, THOSE GUYS DON'T KNOW THE LIKES OF LEMUEL FRYE!

NOBODY'S DRIVIN' ME OUT OF MY OWN CARNY... NOBODY!!

THAT'S WHY I CAME HERE!



SO, WADDA YOU SAY? CAN YOU CONTACT DAREDEVIL FOR ME?

AS A MATTER OF FACT, I THINK I CAN!

I KNEW YA WOULDN'T LET ME DOWN!

NO, MR. FRYE... DAREDEVIL NEVER LETS ANYONE DOWN!

NO ONE BUT THE GIRL WHO'S IN LOVE WITH HIM!



SURE THING... AN' THANKS!

YA SURE TOOK A LOAD OFF MY SHOULDERS!

I'LL JUST BET I DID, LITTLE MAN!



SO, THE JESTER'S IN THIS TOO, IS HE?

THIS HAS ALL THE EARMARKS OF A TRAP, KAREN, BUT I...

SOMETHING WRONG, DARLING?

NO, MATT... I WAS JUST WONDERING...

...WONDERING IF THIS IS THE TIME... THAT YOU WON'T COME BACK...!



SOME TIME LATER, AS THE PURPLE SHADES OF EVENING FALL OVER A CERTAIN SEAMY CARNIVAL...

THERE! THAT BOOBY-TRAPS THE ROLLER-COASTER!

GOOD! WE'VE TURNED EACH ONE OF THE CARNIVAL RIDES INTO A GRIM DEATH-TRAP!

OF COURSE, DAREDEVIL IS NO COMPLETE FOOL... HE WILL SUSPECT HE IS BEING LED DOWN THE PRIM-ROSE PATH!



BUT, HE IS TOO MUCH THE HERO... TOO MUCH THE NOBLE DO-GOODER, NOT TO...

WAIT! HERE HE COMES NOW, WITH FRYE!

OUT OF SIGHT, QUICKLY!

WE AGREED THAT THE COBRA SHOULD STRIKE THE FIRST BLOW!



AND, EVEN AS THE WILY JESTER SPEAKS...

AHHH...HERE COMES OUR GUEST OF HONOR NOW!

BUT, WHEN HE STEPS BENEATH THIS LILY-WHITE PARACHUTE...



---IT WILL BECOME HIS DEADLY SHROUD!

SNIP!

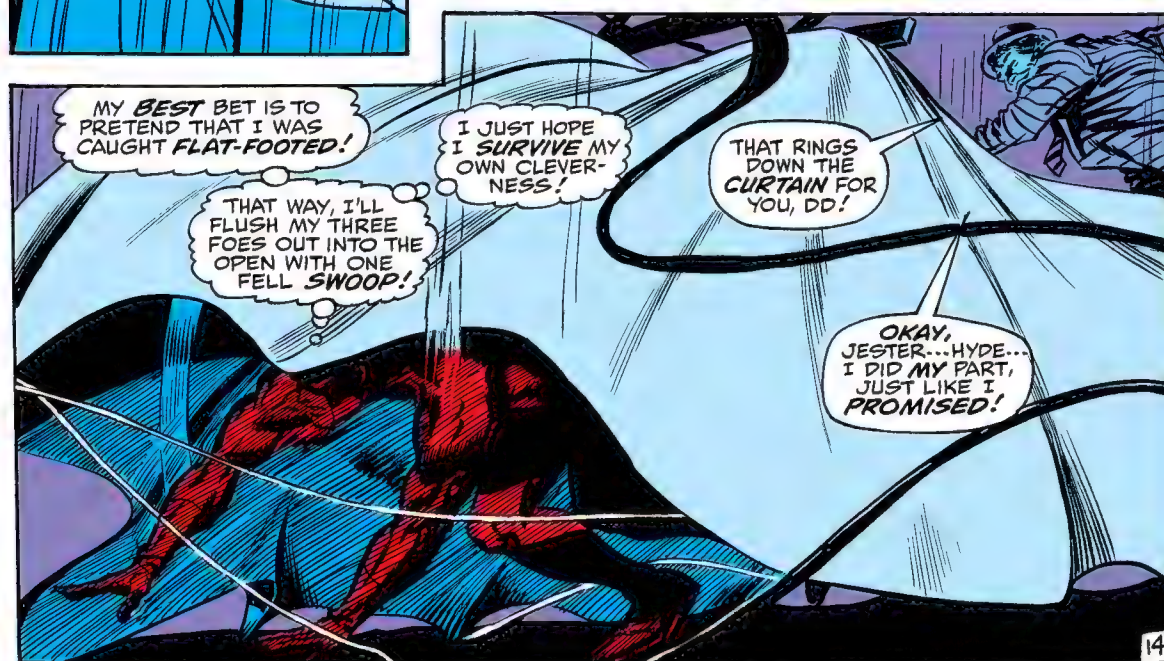


MY RADAR SENSE TELLS ME WE'RE UNDER THE PARACHUTE RIDE!

FRYE'S CRANING HIS NECK UPWARD...AND I CAN GUESS WHY!

I CAN'T SEE THE SHADOW THAT'S PROBABLY ENGULFING ME RIGHT ABOUT NOW!

BUT, I CAN SURE FEEL THE AIR THAT THE CHUTE'S PUSHING OUT OF ITS WAY!



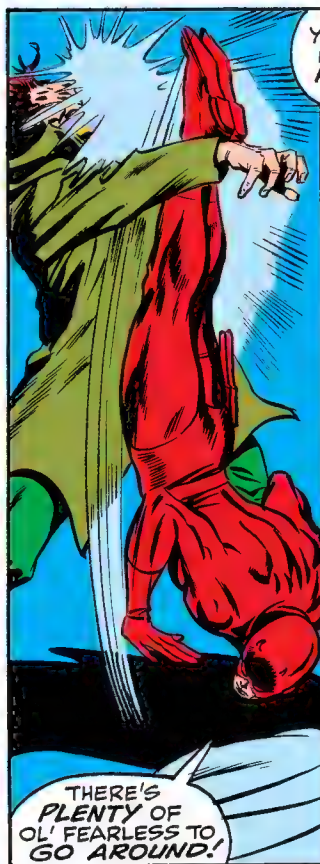
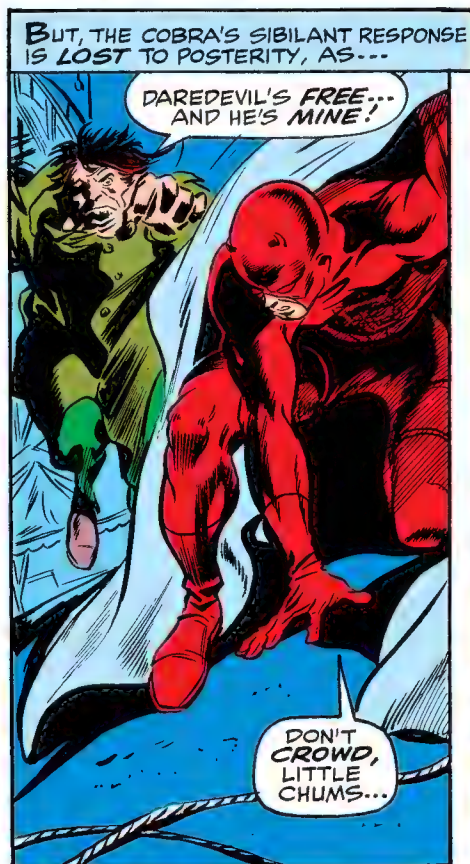
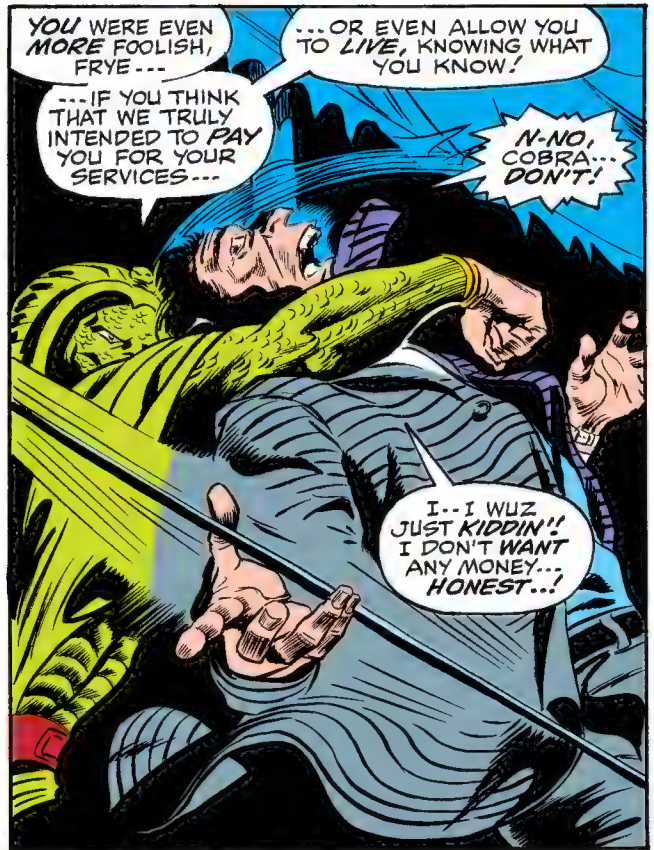
MY BEST BET IS TO PRETEND THAT I WAS CAUGHT FLAT-FOOTED!

THAT WAY, I'LL FLUSH MY THREE FOES OUT INTO THE OPEN WITH ONE FELL SWOOP!

I JUST HOPE I SURVIVE MY OWN CLEVERNESS!

THAT RINGS DOWN THE CURTAIN FOR YOU, DD!

OKAY, JESTER...HYDE... I DID MY PART, JUST LIKE I PROMISED!



THEN, THE BLOOD COURSEING THRU HIS VEINS AT THE PROSPECT OF THE COMING BATTLE, THE MAN WITHOUT FEAR RACES THRU THE DARKENED MIDWAY... MAKING HIS WAY FAR MORE EASILY THAN ANY MERE SIGHTED MAN...

HYDE AND THE COBRA ARE **BUMBLERS**,
USEFUL ONLY FOR
THEIR **MUSCLE!**

THE **REAL** BRAINS
OF THIS GROUP IS...
THE **JESTER!**

I'M THE
ONE THAT
DAREDEVIL
WON'T
ESCAPE!

I'LL ACT
AFRAID... LURE
HYDE INTO
FOLLOWING
ME!

WAIT!
I SENSE
SOMEONE NEAR
ME... BREATHING
HEAVILY, AS IF IN
ANTICIPATION... OF
WHAT?

THAT
SOUND
ABOVE
ME...!

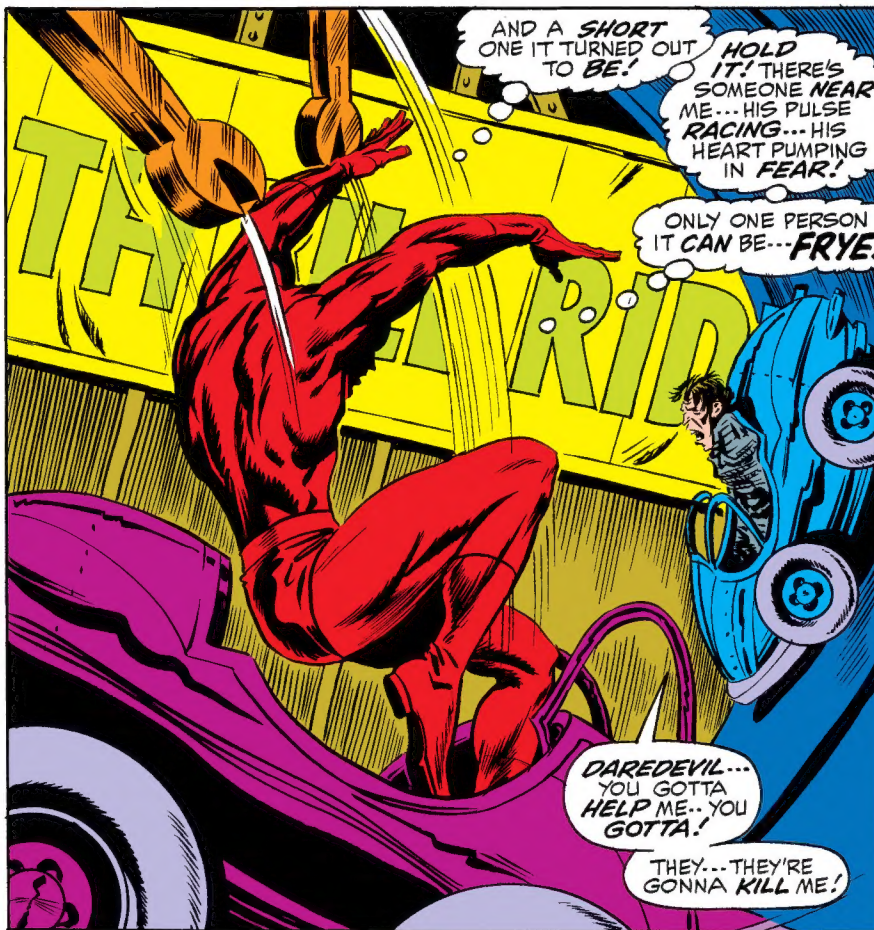
TRIED TO GET OUT
OF THE WAY...

BUT I
WAS TOO
SLOW!

KLAMP!

WELL, YOU'VE
OVER-
CONFIDENCED
YOURSELF INTO
IT THIS TIME,
DD!

NOTHING
TO DO BUT
GO ALONG
FOR THE
RIDE!



AND A **SHORT** ONE IT TURNED OUT TO BE!

HOLD IT! THERE'S SOMEONE NEAR ME... HIS PULSE **RACING**... HIS HEART PUMPING IN **FEAR!**

ONLY ONE PERSON IT CAN BE... **FRYE!**

DAREDEVIL... YOU GOTTA **HELP ME**... YOU GOTTA!

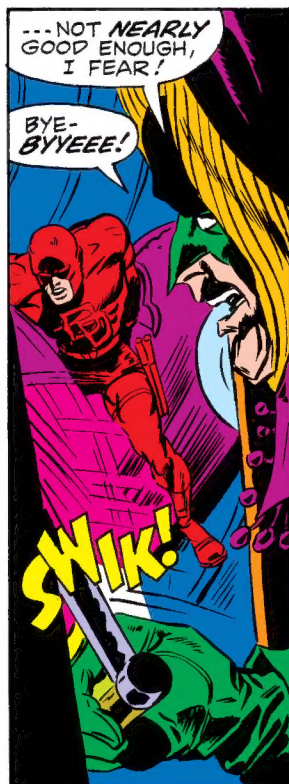
THEY... THEY'RE GONNA **KILL ME!**



LIKE YOU WERE GOING TO HELP **THEM** TO DO ME, EH, FRYE?

WELL, DON'T WORRY... I'LL DO MY LEVEL BEST TO GET US **BOTH** OUT OF HERE!

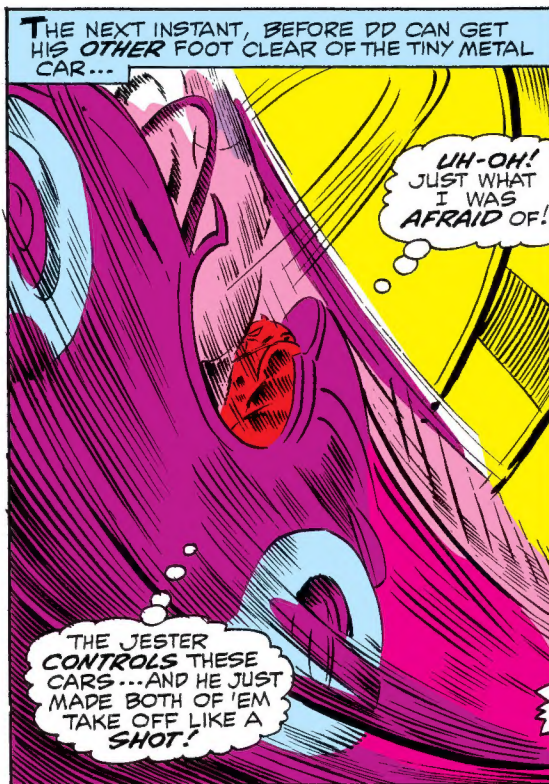
NOT **GOOD** ENOUGH, MY CRIMSON-CLAD FRIEND...



...NOT **NEARLY** GOOD ENOUGH, I FEAR!

BYE-BYEEEEE!

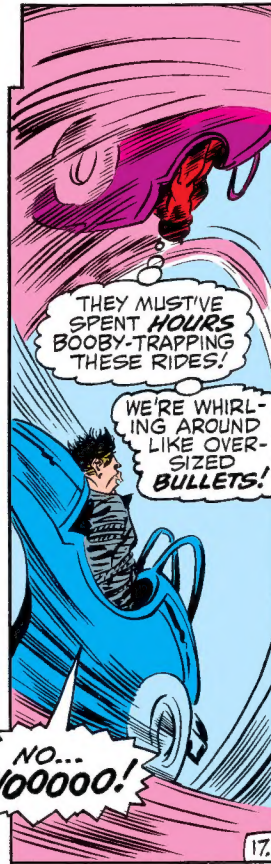
SWIK!



THE NEXT INSTANT, BEFORE DD CAN GET HIS **OTHER** FOOT CLEAR OF THE TINY METAL CAR...

UH-OH! JUST WHAT I WAS **AFRAID** OF!

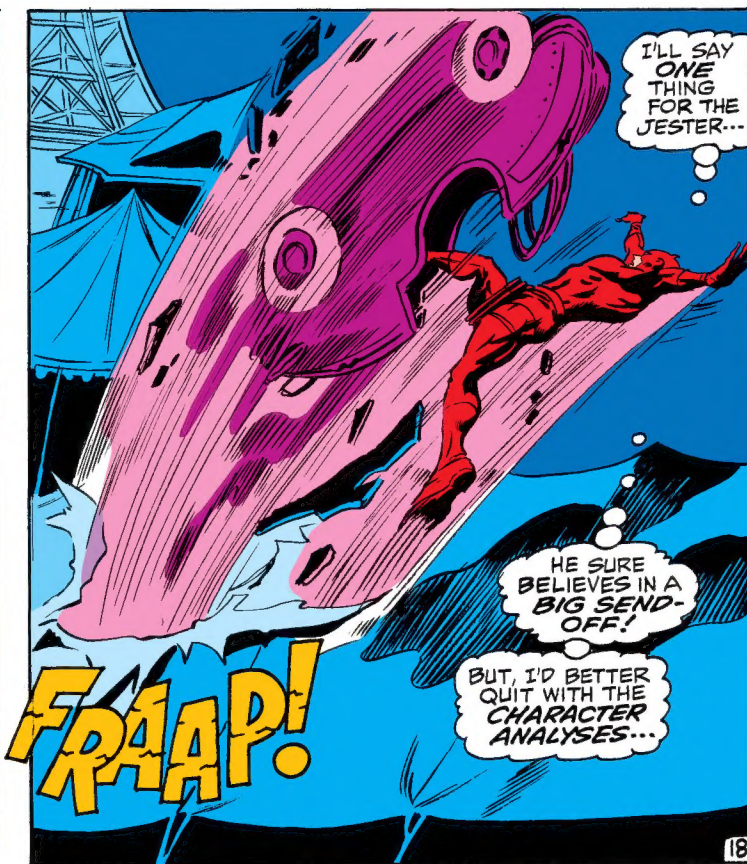
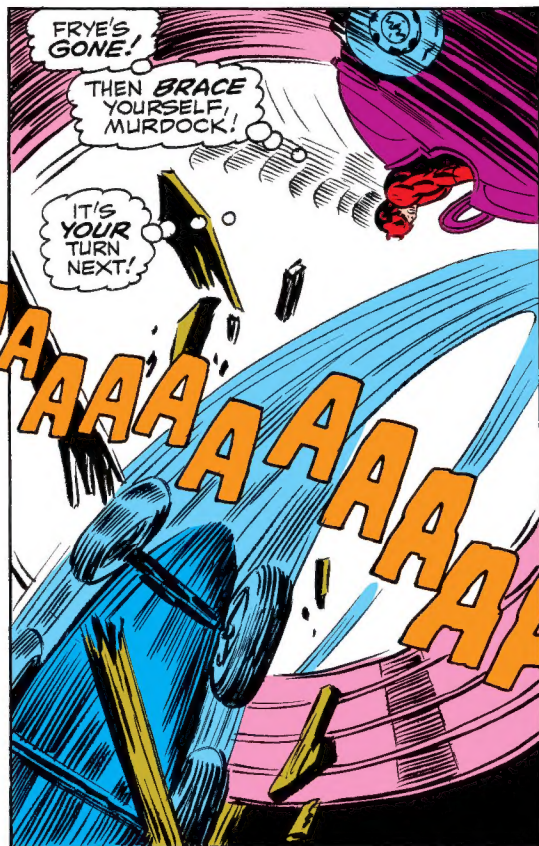
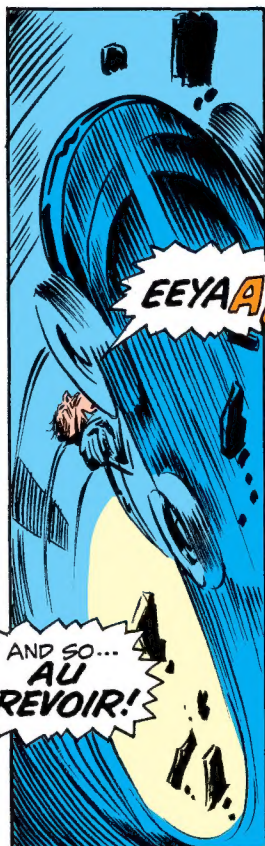
THE JESTER **CONTROLS** THESE CARS... AND HE JUST MADE BOTH OF 'EM TAKE OFF LIKE A **SHOT!**



THEY MUST'VE SPENT **HOURS** BOOBY-TRAPPING THESE RIDES!

WE'RE WHIRLING AROUND LIKE OVER-SIZED **BULLETS!**

NO... **NOOOOO!**





...AND TRY TO **LIVE** LONG ENOUGH TO PLAY THE **NEXT** ROUND OF THIS DEADLY LITTLE GAME.

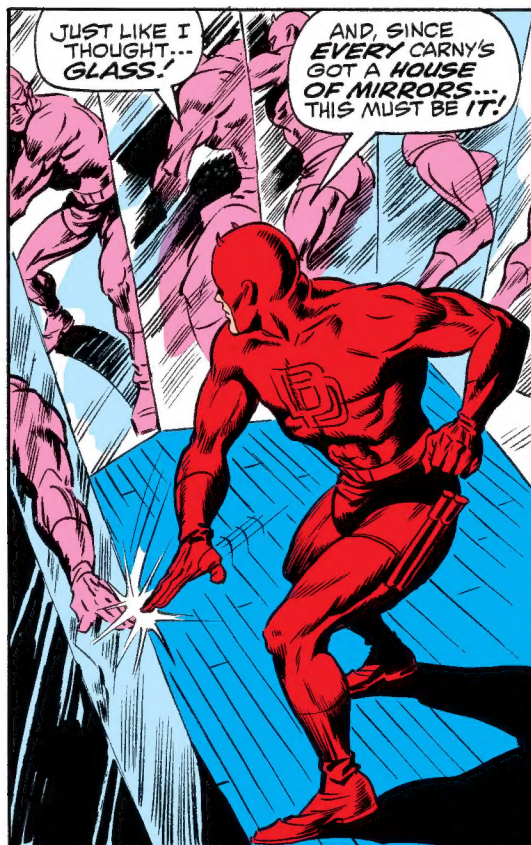
IT'S ABOUT TIME I STOPPED JUST **REACTING** TO WHATEVER THOSE CREEPS THROW AT ME...

...AND START DISHING OUT SOME **DD-STYLE ACTION!**



WHAT'S MORE, IF THAT **TINKLING** SOUND WHEN I LANDED IS WHAT I **THINK** IT WAS...

...I'D SAY I'M DEFINITELY **BACK IN BUSINESS!**



JUST LIKE I THOUGHT... **GLASS!**

AND, SINCE **EVERY** CARNY'S GOT A **HOUSE OF MIRRORS**... THIS MUST BE IT!



SO, IF MY **THEORY'S** CORRECT, AND MY CRIMINAL CRONIES KEPT BUSY JUST GIMMICKING-UP THE **RIDES**, THEN---

UH OH! HERE COME THE **ROVER BOYS** NOW!

LET'S HOPE MY **RADAR SENSE** LETS ME FIGURE THE **ANGLE** OF THESE **MIRRORS** CORRECTLY...!



WELCOME, GUYS! COME TO GIVE YOURSELVES **UP?**

THERE HE IS!

DON'T BE A **CRETIN**, HYDE! IT'S ONLY A **MIRROR!**



GIVE ME CREDIT FOR **SOME** SENSE, **JESTER!**

BUT, HE MUST BE AROUND HERE **SOMEWHERE!**

AND **MR. HYDE** IS GOING TO **FIND** HIM!



CORRECTION, CHUMP...YOU'VE **ALREADY** FOUND HIM!

BOK!

UNNNHHH!

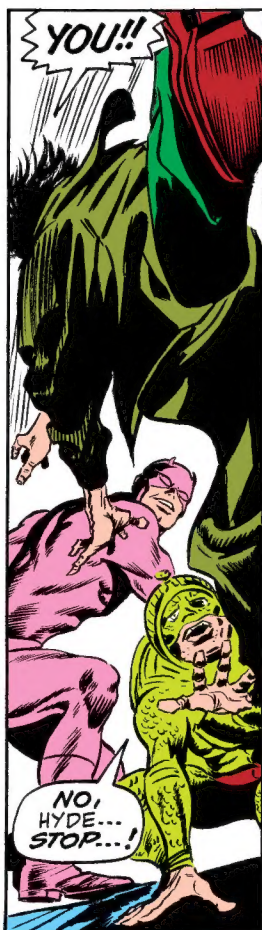


THEN THAT WAS DAREDEVIL, AFTER ALL!

GET HIM, JESTER!

NO! HYDE'S STRENGTH MUST BE THE THING THAT KILLS HIM!

MIGHT AS WELL FLAIL ME WITH A WET NOODLE, HYDIE!



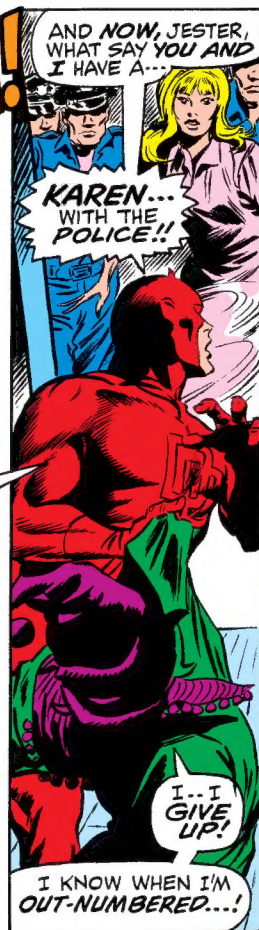
YOU!!

NO, HYDE... STOP...!



KRAASH!

ONE STONE... TWO BIRDS!



AND NOW, JESTER, WHAT SAY YOU AND I HAVE A...

KAREN... WITH THE POLICE!!

I... I GIVE UP!

I KNOW WHEN I'M OUT-NUMBERED...!



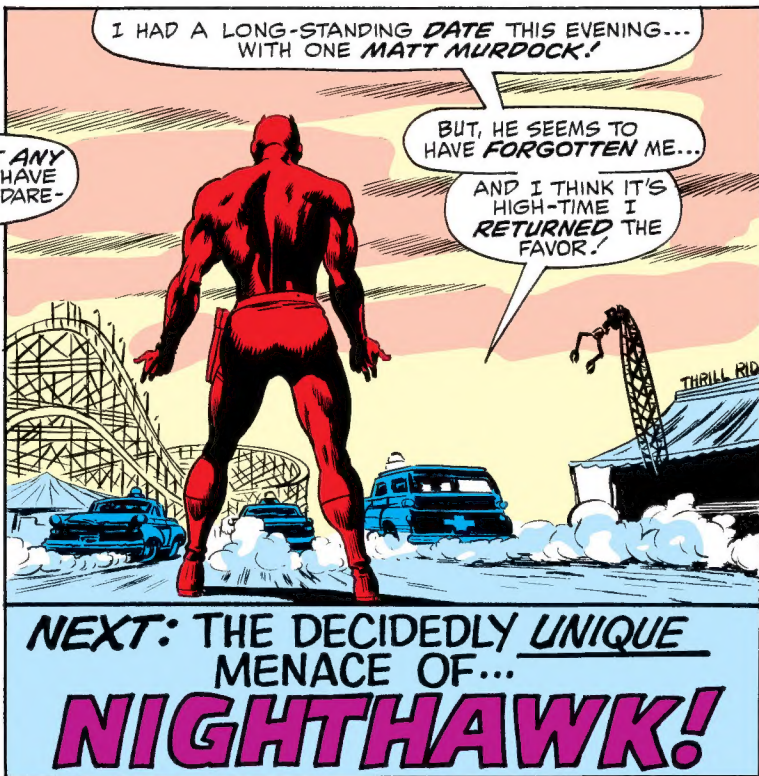
SOON, WHEN THINGS HAVE MADE A RETURN TO *NORMALCY*...

KAREN... I WANT TO *THANK* YOU FOR WHAT YOU DID...THE *RISK* YOU TOOK! I...

I ONLY DID WHAT ANY CITIZEN WOULD HAVE DONE... *MISTER DAREDEVIL*!

AND NOW, YOU'LL HAVE TO *EXCUSE* ME!

YOU SEE, TODAY IS MY *BIRTHDAY*...!



I HAD A LONG-STANDING *DATE* THIS EVENING... WITH ONE *MATT MURDOCK*!

BUT, HE SEEMS TO HAVE *FORGOTTEN* ME...

AND I THINK IT'S HIGH-TIME I *RETURNED* THE FAVOR!

NEXT: THE DECIDEDLY *UNIQUE* MENACE OF... **NIGHTHAWK!**